

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Norio KURITA et al.	)	Confirmation No.: 8196
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U.S. Application No.: 10/577,550	)	Group Art Unit: 2627
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Filed: March 14, 2007	)	Examiner: Unassigned
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For: SHUTTER UNIT AND LASER PROCESSING)		
DEVICE USING SAME	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
**Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment**  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Subsequent to the Preliminary Amendment previously filed on January 16, 2007 and prior to examination on the merits in accordance with the Patent Prosecution Highway Program between the JPO and the USPTO, please amend the above-identified application as follows.